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PROPOSED ADDITIONAL DUTIES OF THE JRC

Under the arrangement specified, the Deputy for Operations, NRO Staff, also will be Chief of the Joint Reconnaissance Center. He will use the JRC operations staff augmented as indicated to perform the following duties. The present charter of the JRC will be modified accordingly to reflect these additional duties pertaining to NRO and JCS responsibilities.

a. Additional Duties for NRO.

As directed by the Director, NRO, in accordance with policies established by him and unless specifically assigned otherwise:

(1) Assign and/or review overflight mission planning in response to validated USIB or other appropriate authority request, and evaluate and modify if necessary operational plans based on analysis of mission requirements, programming option desired, logistic, weather, lighting condition, and readiness factors, schedules for operation, and performance capabilities of collection devices.

(2) From these plans, and in conjunction with appropriate organizations/agencies, define specific mission peculiar support required, if any (e.g., stand-downs, diversions, rescue and emergency provisions, tracking, communications, recovery and logistics).

(3) Prepare, and issue, upon approval, appropriate execute commands and orders for final mission commitment and recovery to Unified and Specified Commands, military Services, and NRO/CIA.

(4) Present plan for approval of total mission to higher authority as required.

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The Director, NRO and other designated officials informed of mission progress, difficulties, and results.

(6) Prepare and review consolidated forecast of future NRO missions, and status of planning for these, for appropriate and designated governmental groups.

(7) Prepare and transmit to the JCS forecasts of missions and plans therefor, with sufficient lead-times for review.

(8) Prepare and transmit to the JCS requests for support as appropriate with sufficient lead-times for review.

(9) Analyze, evaluate, deliver to appropriate agencies for further intelligence exploitation, and disseminate, mission performance results, and degree of achievement of programmed objectives.

(10) Develop appropriate cover and unplanned abort arrangements in coordination with appropriate agencies.

(11) Perform special studies as assigned in areas of future requirements, additional programs, transfer of control of resources under various contingencies, etc., for review and approval.

(12) Provide a focal point for translation of DIA-USIB intelligence, mapping and geodesy collection requirements into mission specifications.

(13) Specify targets to be covered by satellite missions from among assigned target lists, prepared by USIB(COMOR), translating validated requirements into desired on-orbit target program options and, as required, make on-orbit selection of specific option based on knowledge of other considerations (e.g., weather, intelligence).

b. Additional Duties for JCS.

As directed by Chairman, JCS:

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- (2) Define mission conflicts, if any, for decisions as to priority between Chairman, JCS and Director, NRO, or higher authority if necessary.
- (3) Define, on basis of forecast NRO missions, potential impact on resources of Unified and Specified Commands, for such support, special activities, etc., as may be required, and make arrangements for provisions of those resources with such commands.
- (4) Assure that JCS and NRO are fully and continually informed on status and readiness of this support.
- (5) Inform Director, NRO of any JCS considerations which in their estimation may require, as a matter of priority or urgency, a deletion or modification of forecast NRO plans on the basis of other military, operational or policy factors, and prepare such modified plans with Director, NRO concurrence.
- (6) Prepare for JCS (and at Director, NRO request, for NRO) monthly summary report of past and forecast peripheral and overflight missions and achieved or planned results.
- (7) Participate as a matter of course with NRO on planning and operation matters requiring coordinated actions or missions (e.g., joint peripheral and overflight missions, transmission of execute orders, etc.).